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For: CICLESONIDE-CONTAINING STERILE AQUEOUS SUSPENSION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1 and 5-6, and add new claims 8-9 as outlined in Appendix A, entitled "Claim Amendments", attached herewith.

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please enter the Abstract of the Disclosure as outlined in Appendix B, attached herewith.

REMARKS

Upon entry of the above amendment, claims 1-9 will be pending in the captioned application. New claims 8-9 have been added to